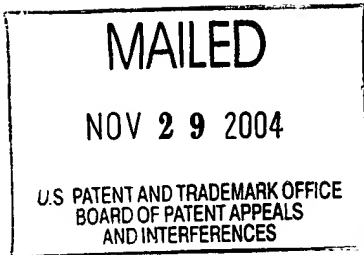


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Ex parte JOHANNES-JORG RUEGER  
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Application No. 09/824,167

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

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This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on October 18, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

On July 30, 2003, the examiner mailed an Examiner's Answer. On page 3, section (9) of the Answer, the examiner relies upon European Patent Application No. 0,871,230 to Reineke et al. (Reineke). However, a review of the file reveals that the examiner has not provided a full text translation of such patent


Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to provide a full text translation of European Patent

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Application No. 0,871,230 to Reineke, and for such further action  
as may be appropriate.

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